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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: BENC, GY, TD
SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: SUBMARINE CABLE LINK

REF: STATE 168911, STATE 185367

1. QUESTION OF IMPROVED COMMUNICATIONS LINK WITH GUYANA
IS UNDER SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BY TEXTEL. CURRENT STATUS
IS THAT TEXTEL IS NEGOTIATING WITH ITS COUNTERPART IN
GUYANA TO GET APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE ON THE PROJECT.

2. ACCORDING TO TEXTEL ENGINEER, ALL OPTIONS ARE OPEN
AS TO FORM PROJECT MIGHT TAKE, I.E., SUBMARINE CABLE OR
SOME ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY. WHILE TEXTEL IS PARTLY OWNED
(49 PERCENT) BY CABLE AND WIRELESS, WE DO NOT CONSIDER
THIS AS SERIOUS DISADVANTAGE TO U.S. FIRMS.

3. CHIEF ENGINEER OF TEXTEL, DEORAJ RAMNARINE, CONTEMPLATES
VISIT TO UNITED STATES IN SEPTEMBER. HE HAS ALREADY BEEN
IN TOUCH WITH AT&T. IF USDOC KNOWS OTHER SUPPLIERS WHO
MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN SEEING HIM, THEY CAN CONTACT
HIM DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THIS EMBASSY.

4. FINANCING IS OPEN; WHILE "MONEY IS NO PROBLEM" FOR
PROJECTS TO WHICH GOTT GIVES HIGH PRIORITY, FAVORABLE
TERMS (SUCH AS EXIMBANK FINANCING) WOULD OF COURSE GIVE
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SUPPLIERS AN ADVANTAGE ON THE CONTRACT.
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